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VIA ECF

The Honorable Eric R. Komitee United States District Court Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: Schulte v. Warden of MDC, 22-CV-766 (E.D.N.Y.)

Request for New Briefing Schedule

Dear Judge Komitee:

My name is Keegan Stephan of Beldock Levine & Hoffman, LLP, and I am now counsel of record to Petitioner Joshua Adam Schulte in the above-captioned matter. (*See* Dkt. 46.) With Respondent's consent, I write to request a new briefing schedule on the pending *habeas* petition.

By way of background, the Court held an evidentiary hearing in this case on September 5, 2023. (See 09/05/2023 Minute Entry.) At the hearing, the Court ordered the parties to submit post-hearing submissions consisting of proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law. (September 5, 2023 Transcript of Evidentiary Hearing ("Tr.") 135:9–12.) Petitioner's submission was due on October 12, 2023, and Respondent's submission was due three weeks after receipt of Petitioner's submission. (Id.)

Petitioner—who was proceeding *pro se* at the time—mailed his submission on October 10, 2023, but it was not received by the Court or Respondent until October 18, 2023. (*See* Dkt. 42.) In addition, Petitioner did not yet have access to the transcript of the evidentiary hearing (*see* Dkt. 45), so Petitioner's submission did not contain the proposed findings of fact requested by the Court (*see* Dkt. 42).

Accordingly, Petitioner requests that he be allowed to file a supplemental, counseled submission consisting of proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law, and that Respondent's

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submission be due after receipt of that supplemental submission. The parties jointly propose the following schedule for those submissions:

- Petitioner's supplemental submission shall be due on or before November 17, 2023;
- Respondent's submission shall be due on or before December 1, 2023.

The parties thank the Court for its attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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